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FOLLOWING REPEAT STATE 262186 ACTION KUALA LUMPUR BANGKOK
CHIANG MAI JAKARTA MANILA RANGOON SEOUL SINGAPORE TAIPEI
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SUBJECT: 1976 EA NARCOTICS CONFERENCE

1. THE DEPT. WOULD LIKE TO PROPOSE KUALA LUMPUR AS THE SITE
FOR THE 1976 EA REGIONAL NARCOTICS COORDINATORS CONFERENCE.
WE WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY KL'S CONFIRMATION THAT A TWO-
DAY CONFERENCE JANUARY 12-13, FOLLOWED BY A WORKSHOP ON
OVERSEAS AMERICAN COMMUNITY DRUG PROBLEMS JANUARY 14, WOULD
NOT POSE ANY SPECIAL PROBLEMS IN TERMS OF GOM SENSITIVITIES,
OR HOTEL SPACE.

2. WE BELIEVE THE MAJORITY OF THE PARTICIPANTS WOULD
REQUIRE HOTEL ROOMS JANUARY 11-14 WITH SOME REQUIRED JAN.
8-15. IF POSSIBLE, WE WOULD LIKE TO MAKE THE KL HILTON THE
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CONFERENCE HOTEL. PLEASE ADVISE IF KL HILTON IS ABLE TO

ACCOMMODATE CONFERENCE FOR ABOVE DATES AND SINGLE AND TWIN ROOM RATES.

3. RECOGNIZING THAT THE EMBASSY POSSESSES LIMITED FACILITIES, AND HOPING TO STIMULATE SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSIONS WHICH COME FROM SMALLER GATHERINGS, WE WILL ENDEAVOR TO LIMIT THE CONFERENCE SIZE TO 35-40 PARTICIPANTS. WE WOULD THEREFORE URGE THAT ALL ADDRESSEES SENDING PARTICIPANTS TO THE CONFERENCE LIMIT THEIR ATTENDANCE TO 2-3 REPRESENTATIVES. SHOULD EMBASSY KUALA LUMPUR BELIEVE THAT ITS CHANCERY

FACILITIES ARE INADEQUATE FOR THIS SIZE CONFERENCE, WE WOULD PROPOSE THAT A SUITABLE MEETING ROOM BE OBTAINED AT THE KL HILTON FOR THE CONFERENCE. IN THE LATTER INSTANCE, CONFERENCE WOULD PROBABLY REQUIRE 1-2 MARINE GUARDS AT MEETING SITE. CONFERENCE REPRESENTATIVES WILL INCLUDE, AS LAST YEAR, DEA REGIONAL DIRECTORS AND SAICS, EMBASSY NARCOTICS COORDINATORS, AND WASHINGTON REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CABINET COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL NARCOTICS CONTROL AND THE EA INTER AGENCY WORKING GROUP ON NARCOTICS.

4. WE WOULD WELCOME ANY SUGGESTIONS FOR THE CONFERENCE AND AMERICAN COMMUNITY WORKSHOP AGENDA FROM THE ADDRESSEES. AS SOON AS THE AGENDA IS DETERMINED, WE WILL REQUEST VARIOUS POSTS TO GIVE PRESENTATIONS ON THE DISCUSSION TOPICS. PURPOSE OF PRESENTATIONS WILL BE TO PROVIDE SUBSTANTIVE INFORMATION ON SUBJECT MATTER AND STIMULATE DISCUSSION BY CONFERENCE PARTICIPANTS.

4. EA/EX WILL FUND TRAVEL OF EMBASSY PARTICIPANTS, AND DEA WILL DO THE SAME FOR DEA SAICS, WHERE ATTENDANCE BY SUCH OFFICERS IS CONSIDERED ESSENTIAL. KISSINGER UNQTE. KISSINGER

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